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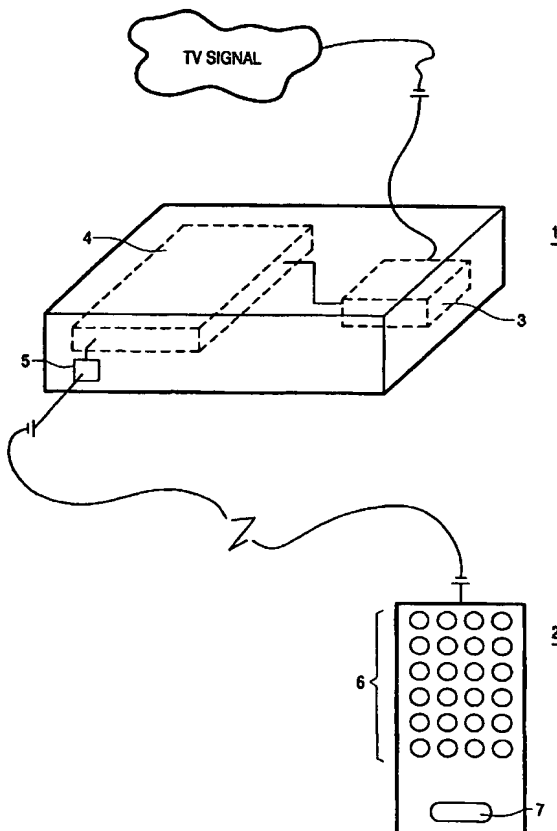
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(57) Abstract: The invention comprises an information recording apparatus (1) incorporating a memory device (3) having a defined quantity of storage space, and an interface (2) for use by a user in initiating the recordal of data onto the memory device (3), wherein a selected portion of the storage space of the memory device (3) is reserved for the recording of data in an emergency situation and the interface is configured such that instructions to record data to the selected portion of the memory device are effected by means separate from those used to initiate recordal of data in the remainder of the memory device.

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